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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
INTRADO, INC. FOR ARBITRATION	§	
PURSUANT TO SECTION 252(b) OF THE	§	OF TEXAS
COMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1934, AS	§	
AMENDED, TO ESTABLISH AN	§	
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT	§	
WITH GTE SOUTHWESTERN	§	
INCORPORATED, D/B/A VERIZON	§	
SOUTHWEST		

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# MEMORIALIZING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On February 18, 2010 at 9:00 a.m., Liz Kayser and Susan Goodson, Arbitrators in this proceeding, conducted a prehearing conference (PHC).

The Arbitrators asked the parties if there is a chance of settlement in this matter. The Arbitrators concluded that settlement is unlikely at this time. The Arbitrators discussed the parties' proposed agreed procedural schedule and the scope of the upcoming hearing. The parties indicated that their understanding of the commission's Order on Motion for Reconsideration of Order on Threshold Issue No. 1 was that the scope of the hearing scheduled herein is limited to matters directly relevant to Threshold Issue No. 1 as established in Order No. 2 in this proceeding: Are "emergency services" "telephone exchange service" or "exchange access" for purposes of §251(c)(2)(A) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996?<sup>2</sup> Therefore, the testimony and other evidence provided pursuant to the schedule established herein should be relevant to whether and how Intrado's service in Texas is "telephone exchange service" for purposes of §251(c)(2)(A) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. The parties advised the Arbitrators that they would probably file a proposed protective order and would use the commission's standard protective order. No other issues were discussed.

Order on Motion for Reconsideration of Order on Threshold Issue No. 1 (February 4, 2010).

Order No. 2 Memorializing Prehearing Conference and Requesting Briefs on Threshold Legal Issues at 1 (Nov. 17, 2008)

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Consistent with the agreement of the parties, the following procedural schedule is established. If either party has a conflict with any portion of this procedural schedule, the party shall notify the Arbitrators in writing within five working days of receipt of this order.

April 16, 2010	Direct Testimony of each party
May 17, 2010	Rebuttal Testimony of each party
May 27, 2010	Deadline for Serving Discovery
June 8, 2010	Hearing on the Merits
July 1, 2010	Initial briefs
July 22, 2010	Reply briefs

The Arbitrators will endeavor to issue a decision on Threshold Issue No. 1 within 60 days of receipt of reply briefs and will indicate at that time whether exceptions or motions for reconsideration will be permitted.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the 23rd day of February, 2010.

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS** 

LIZ KAYSER (

ARBITRATOR

SUSAN GOODSON

ARBITRATOR